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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 CITY OF SEATTLE,

14 Defendant.

CASE NO. C12-1282JLR

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO  
INTERVENE

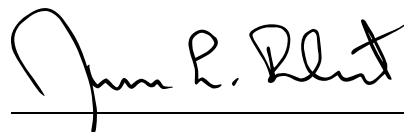
15 Before the court is nonparty Marguerite Richard's motion "for a chance to testify  
16 on Police Department in City Hall for which the court has ordered, but no change."  
17 (Mot. (Dkt. # 480) at 1.) Ms. Richard asks to the court to order Mayor Jenny Durkan,  
18 City Attorney Pete Holmes, and Seattle Chief of Police Carmen Best to conduct "an open  
19 meeting with Q & A every month because it has never happened systematically in Seattle  
20 in its history." (Mot. at 2.) Ms. Richard is proceeding *pro se*, and the court liberally  
21 construes her filing as a motion to intervene in these proceedings.

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1 Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 24(a), to intervene in this action as of right,  
2 Ms. Richard must establish that she has (1) “an unconditional right to intervene by a  
3 federal statute,” or (2) “an interest relating to the . . . transaction that is the subject of the  
4 action.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(a). To intervene permissively under Rule 24(b), Ms. Richard  
5 must show that she has (1) “a conditional right to intervene by a federal statute,” or (2) “a  
6 claim or defense that shares with the main action a common question of law or fact.”  
7 Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(b)(1). The burden is on the proposed intervenor to demonstrate that  
8 the conditions for intervention are satisfied. *United States v. Alisal Water Corp.*, 370  
9 F.3d 915, 919 (9th Cir. 2004).

10 Ms. Richard fails to demonstrate that the conditions for either intervention as of  
11 right or for permissive intervention are met. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(a)-(b)(1).  
12 Accordingly, the court DENIES her motion to intervene (Dkt. # 480). Further, the court  
13 DIRECTS the Clerk to refrain from placing any future filings by Ms. Richard on the  
14 docket for this case, unless the filing is a motion for reconsideration or a notice of appeal  
15 of this order.

16 Dated this 23rd day of August, 2018.

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19 JAMES L. ROBART  
20 United States District Judge  
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